



## **Assistive Technology**



**Howdy!** Welcome to the Assistive Technology website within the Special Education Department of the Killeen Independent School District. We strive to provide the highest quality assistive technology software and hardware available to support the approximately 4,100 special needs students in all **fifty three** schools within the Killeen Independent School District, including Fort Hood.

### **What is Assistive Technology?**

The “Improvement Act of 2004” or “Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA)” are federal laws that define an **assistive technology device** as “any item, piece of equipment, or product system, whether acquired commercially, off the shelf, modified, or customized, that is used to increase, maintain, or improve the functional capabilities of a child with a disability. The term does not include a medical device that is surgically implanted or the replacement of that device”. It defines **assistive technology service** as “any service that directly assists an individual with a disability in the selection, acquisition, or use of an assistive technology device”.

Our Assistive Technology Team strives to work closely with our students, families, teachers, and administrators to provide our students with assistive technology software and hardware to be successful inside and outside the classroom.

If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to send us an email.

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